

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LANSING



September 3, 2002

MEMORANDUM

TO:

State Board of Education

FROM:

Thomas D. Watkins, Jr.

SUBJECT:

Report on Michigan School for the Deaf Membership in the Michigan

High School Athletic Association

Michigan School for the Deaf dates its interscholastic athletic competition from the early 1900s and currently sponsors interscholastic athletic teams in soccer, girls' and boys' basketball, girls' volleyball, and girls' and boys' track.

Each year the Michigan High School Athletic Association, Inc. (MHSAA) requires the submission of a membership resolution from school districts in order to participate in post-season district, regional, and state activities (tournaments and meets). The resolution states that the Michigan School for the Deaf voluntarily enforces the rules and regulations of the MHSAA.

Executive Order 1996-12 transferred the jurisdiction and control of the Michigan Schools for the Deaf and Blind from the State Board to the Superintendent. On August 28, 2002, I signed the membership resolution authorizing the Michigan School for the Deaf to be a member of the MHSAA.

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The Michigan High School Athletic Association is a voluntary, nonprofit corporation comprised of public, private and parochial junior high/middle and senior high schools whose Boards of Education/Governing Bodies have voluntarily applied for and received membership for and on behalf of their secondary schools. The association sponsors statewide tournaments and makes eligibility rules with respect to participation in such Michigan High School Athletic Association sponsored tournaments in the various sports. Each Board of Education/Governing Body that wishes to host or participate in such meets and tournaments must join the MHSAA and agree to enforce the MHSAA rules, regulations and qualifications concerning eligibility, game rules and tournament procedures.

To obtain membership, it is necessary for the Board of Education/Governing Body to adopt the following resolution for its junior high/middle and senior high schools. This resolution must be formally ratified by your Board of Education/Governing Body and properly signed. Please return one signed copy for our files and retain one copy for your files.

MEMBERSHIP RESOLUTION

For the year August 1, 2002 — through July 31, 2003

The LIST ON BACK Secondary School(s) in the School Distri	ct of
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(Junior high/middle and senior high schools in your district which are to be listed as MHSAA members and receive MHSAA mailings during 2002-03 must be listed on the back of this form)

Michigan	School f	or the	Deaf City of	Flint	
County of	Genesee		, of State of Michi	gan, are hereby:	

- (A) enrolled as members of the Michigan High School Athletic Association, Inc., a nonprofit association, and
- (B) are further enrolled to participate in the approved interschool athletic activities sponsored by said association.

The Board of Education/Governing Body hereby delegates to the Superintendent or his/her designee(s) the responsibility for the supervision and control of said activities, and hereby accepts the Constitution and By-Laws of said association and adopts as its own the rules, regulations and interpretations (as minimum standards), as published in the current HANDBOOK and qualifications as published in the BULLETIN as the governing code under which the said school(s) shall conduct its program of interscholastic activities and agrees to primary enforcement of said rules, regulations, interpretations and qualifications. In addition, it is hereby agreed that schools which host or participate in the association's meets and tournaments shall follow and enforce all tournament policies and procedures.

This authorization shall be effective from August 1, 2002 and shall remain effective until July 31, 2003, during which the authorization may not be revoked.

RECORD OF ADOPTION

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so recorded in the minutes of the meeting of the said Board/Governing Body.

The above resolution was adopted by the Roard of Education/Governing Rody of the

Superintendent of Public Instruction

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Schools Which Are To Be MHSAA Members During 2002-03

NOTE: Pursuant to the MHSAA Constitution, "All high schools, junior high/middle schools, or other schools of Michigan doing a grade of work corresponding to such schools, may become members of this organization provided (a) the school building has an en-rollment and on-site attendance of at least 15 students, whether for grades 7 and 8, or 7 through 9, or 10 through 12, or 9 through 12; and (b) if a nonpublic school, the school qualifies for federal income tax exemption as a not-for-profit organization."

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